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S. RES. 295

To designate October 18, 1996, as "National Mammography Day".

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

September 18, 1996

Mr. Biden (for himself, Mr. Abraham, Mr. Akaka, Mr. Baucus, Mr. Bingaman, Mrs. Boxer, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Burns, Mr. Chafee, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Coverdell, Mr. D'Amato, Mr. Domenici, Mr. Dorgan, Mr. Feingold, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Ford, Mr. Frist, Mr. Glenn, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Gregg, Mr. Hatch, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Johnston, Mrs. Kassebaum, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Levin, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Lott, Mr. Mack, Mr. McCain, Ms. Mikulski, Ms. Moseley-Braun, Mr. Moynihan, Mr. Murkowski, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Pell, Mr. Reid, Mr. Robb, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Roth, Mr. Sarbanes, Mr. Simon, Mr. Smith, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Specter, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Thurmond, and Mr. Wellstone) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

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Whereas, according to the American Cancer Society, 184,300 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in 1996, and 44,300 women will die from this disease;

Whereas, in the decade of the 1990's, it is estimated that about 2,000,000 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer, resulting in nearly 500,000 deaths;

- Whereas the risk of breast cancer increases with age, with a woman at age 70 having twice as much of a chance of developing the disease than a woman at age 50;
- Whereas at least 80 percent of the women who get breast cancer have no family history of the disease;
- Whereas mammograms, when operated professionally at a certified facility, can provide a safe and quick diagnosis;
- Whereas experts agree that mammography is the best method of early detection of breast cancer, and early detection is the key to saving lives; and
- Whereas mammograms can reveal the presence of small cancers of up to 2 years or more before regular clinical breast examination or breast self-examination (BSE), saving as many as 30 percent more lives: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the Senate designates October 18,
 - 2 1996, as "National Mammography Day". The Senate re-
 - 3 quests that the President issue a proclamation calling
 - 4 upon the people of the United States to observe such day
 - 5 with appropriate programs and activities.

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